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1. [REDACTED] on 12 May 1950 the Communist Party issued a tract entitled: "Statements of Maruf Dawalibi."
2. This tract stated that the recent pro-Soviet remarks of Dawalibi, former Syrian Minister of National Economy, were simply an attempt to blackmail the British and the Americans, and that they lacked all sincerity.* The tract further stated that it is the Syrian people who hold a real affection for the Soviet Union, whereas Government officials like Dawalibi are merely utilizing the Soviet Union in their "blackmailing rackets."

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* Comment. [redacted] which seems, strangely, to benefit the Western Powers, an attempt by the Communist Party to neutralize the popularity which Dawalibi and the Syrian Government have gained among the people by their recent pro-Soviet, anti-Zionist statements.

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